<u>REMARKS</u>

I. Claim Amendments

Claims 1-24 are pending. The specification and Claims 2, 3, 4, 11 and 14 have been amended to recite weight average molecular weight

II. 35 USC 112

Claims 2-24 stand rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. The Office action asserts it is unclear whether the average molecular weight measured by Gel Permeation Chromatography (GPC) is number average or weight average or viscosity average.

It is respectfully submitted it was intended that the molecular weight be a weight average. A Rule 132 Declaration explaining this is concurrently filed with this response.

III. Obviousness-type Double Patenting

Claims 1-24 stand rejected as being unpatentable over Claims 1-16 of US 6,277,811 to Kasturi et al. Applicants will deal with this rejection at a future time.

IV. Conclusion

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that all objections and rejections are overcome. Hence a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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